

188 A.D. born c. 211-217

d. Apr 9, 217 A.D.

Caracalla (real name MARCUS AURELIUS ANTONINUS; original name BASIANUS). Roman Emperor. Born LUGDUNUM (now Lyon, France) 188 A.D.

He was elder son of Lucius Septimius Severus and accompanied him on several military expeditions. In 211, he succeeded to the throne with his brother PUBLIUS SEPTIMIUS GETA, whom he murdered in 212 A.D., butchering also some 20,000 of Geta's adherents. According to the contemporary historian Dio Cassius

In 212 Caracalla gave citizenship to all free inhabitants of the empire (his motive being to increase revenue from the taxes on inheritance). His reign was occupied largely with military campaigns.

of the buildings erected in Rome during these years, the magnificent Baths of Caracalla are the most important.

While in Mesopotamia in 217, Caracalla was assassinated at the order of Marcus OPELIUS MACRINUS, prefect of the Praetorian Guard who then became emperor.
Caracalla died near CARACALLA (now HARAN, TURKEY)

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Coracalla was born at LYONS
LUCIUS SEPTIMIUS Bassianus

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